

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Amended) A self watering system for plant displays, wherein said system comprises:

a display support structure;
a top on said display support structure;
said top having side panels and a bottom having a water tight connection;
a reservoir having a plurality of perforations placed in said top between said side panels;
said reservoir capable of supporting plants without submersing said plants in water;
a water supply for providing water in said reservoir and said perforations; and
a capillary mat placed on top of said reservoir without being substantially submersed in the water for wicking water uniformly from said reservoir to plants placed on said capillary mat.

2. Canceled

3. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1 wherein said reservoir includes:
a thickness sufficient to prevent said capillary mat from being substantially submersed in the water.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein said capillary mat includes:
a material for the plants to sit upon while wicking water from said reservoir to the root structure of the plants.

5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein said capillary mat includes:
a material formed from a woven barrier fabric for the plants to sit upon while wicking water from said reservoir to the root structure of the plants.

6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein said water supply includes:
at least one water supply pipe extending along one side of said top and having a series of spaced perforations for providing water evenly to said reservoir.

7. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein said system includes:
at least one stand pipe for allowing said top to drain to prevent overfilling.

8. (Amended) A self watering system for plant displays, wherein said system comprises:
a display support structure;
a top on said display support structure;
said top having side panels and a bottom having a water tight connection;
a reservoir having a series of perforations for holding water placed in said top between
said side panels;
said reservoir capable of supporting plants without submersing said plants in water;
at least one water supply pipe extending along one side of said top for providing water in
said reservoir and said perforations; and
a capillary mat placed on top of said reservoir without being substantially submersed in
the water to uniformly transport water to the plants on reservoir.

9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 8 wherein said reservoir includes:
a thickness sufficient to prevent said capillary mat from being substantially submersed in
the water.

10. (Original) The system of claim 8 wherein said capillary mat includes:
a material for the plants to sit upon while wicking water from said reservoir to the root
structure of the plants.

11. (Original) The system of claim 8 wherein said capillary mat includes:
a material formed from a woven barrier fabric for the plants to sit upon while wicking
water from said reservoir to the root structure of the plants.

12. (Original) The system of claim 8 wherein said water supply includes:

said at least one water supply pipe having a series of spaced perforations for providing water evenly to said reservoir.

13. (Original) The system of claim 8 wherein said system includes:

at least one stand pipe for allowing said top to drain to prevent overfilling.

14. (Amended) A method for self watering of plants on a display structure having a top with side panels and a bottom, said method includes:

providing a reservoir having a plurality of perforations on said bottom capable of supporting the plants;

providing a water supply to provide water to said reservoir;

providing a capillary mat on top of said reservoir without being substantially submersed in the water for supporting the plants and for absorbing water from said reservoir until said capillary mat is uniformly saturated;

wherein the roots of the plants absorb water from said saturated capillary mat.

15. Canceled

16. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein said step of providing said water supply includes:

providing a water supply pipe along one side of said top having a plurality of perforations for providing water evenly across said reservoir.

17. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein said step of providing a capillary mat includes:

providing a mat formed from a woven barrier fabric that plants may sit upon.